8 January 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Representative Carl Vinson 7 January 1963

- 1. The Director, accompanied by John S. Warner, met with Representative Carl Vinson with Bob Smart present. The Director pointed out that he had had prepared a very complete review of the performance of the intelligence community in the Cuban crisis which had then been reviewed by the United States Intelligence Board and approved. The purpose of the review was to determine if there were any deficiencies or any way in which improvements could be made. The Director stated that it was the unanimous conclusion of USIB that the intelligence had been excellent and could not have been handled in any way which would have altered the final timing of the policy decisions. Some possible improvements were noted. The DCI also stated that one of his purposes in desiring to discuss this report with the Subcommittee was because of charges that the Government had information earlier and had withheld it for political purposes. He stated these charges were simply not true. The Director stated he would like to meet with the Subcommittee at the earliest possible time and hoped for regular meetings during the year.
- 2. Mr. Vinson indicated his belief that the intelligence had been excellent during this period. He stated the Subcommittee would certainly want to hear the Director's report and arrangements were made for the Subcommittee to meet at ten o'clock on 17 January.

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